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## RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated Jan. 31, 2007.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

For the Examiner's convenience, a clean copy of the Pending Claims is attached hereto. No amendments are made.